

MILLIONAIRE PRATT'S DEATH.

Funeral of the Standard Oil Magnate to Take Place Thursday.

Was Famed for His Charities and Leaves Twenty Millions.

The offices of the Pratt Manufacturing Company, in room 38 on the first floor of the Standard Oil Company's building at 25 Broadway, where millionaire Charles Pratt was seized with heart disease and died last night, were closed this morning.



One of the corps of janitors of the building occupied a seat at the entrance to the dead millionaire's office and informed all comers that business hours had been suspended, out of respect to the dead man, and would not be resumed until after the funeral.

The three thousand employees of the Pratt Manufacturing Company's works at Greenpoint have suspended their labors, and the various companies in which Mr. Pratt was interested will take on similar signs of mourning. These comprise the Bessemer Chemical Company, the Devoe Manufacturing Company and the Self-Winding Clock Company.

The Standard Oil Company with its multitude of sub-companies, in which Mr. Pratt was a large stockholder, will, it was said, close its offices on the day of the funeral.

No definite information could be obtained this morning concerning the funeral arrangements. Private Secretary Bedford could not be found, but an Evening World reporter learned that the funeral would take place from the dead millionaire's home in Brooklyn Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

The pall-bearers, it was said, would be composed of officers of the Standard Oil Company, and the interment would be in the family plot in Greenwood Cemetery.

Mr. Pratt was stricken down with heart disease in the midst of the activities of a busy life, and even in his death he was surrounded by the scenes of his business career. He died in his study at his home.

Although he had been feeling indisposed for several days, Mr. Pratt came to his office yesterday morning as usual, and at noon took an active part in the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Pratt Manufacturing Company, of which he was the President.

About 6 o'clock he complained of feeling ill and went to lie down in his private office. A few minutes afterward he was attacked with faintness, and though he revived somewhat, his son, Charles M. Pratt, and his private secretary, A. C. Bedford, became alarmed and sent for Dr. Seabury, of the Equitable, and Dr. Clarke, of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company.

When it was found that his condition was serious and that he could not be moved to his home in Brooklyn, his family and Dr. Arthur K. Fahn, his regular physician, were summoned. He was sinking rapidly, however, and though he was conscious to very near the last, restoratives had no effect and he passed away at 8:30.

About the couch in the office where the millionaire breathed his last were his wife, his daughter Helen, his son Charles, and his brother, H. C. Pratt; H. L. Rogers, Vice-President of the company, and his private secretary, Mr. Bedford, besides the three physicians.

It was more than five hours before his body was finally taken from the office in the Standard Oil Building and moved to his home, 322 Clinton avenue, Brooklyn. The delay was caused by the difficulty in securing a permit of the Board of Health, who only could grant a permit for the removal.

During the evening many of the magnates of the Standard Oil Company, who had been notified of Mr. Pratt's death, came down to his office. William Rockefeller, Henry M. Flagler and John D. Archbold were among them.

Messengers were sent out in every direction to look up the health authorities, and obtain a permit. Mr. Rockefeller and Mr. Rogers went out about 9 o'clock to search for President Charles G. Wilson, of the Board of Health, leaving the others to keep vigil in the death chamber.

It was after 10 o'clock when Dr. C. S. Benedict returned with a verbal permit from President Wilson, and a messenger returned from the house of Supt. Ewing, of the Sanitary Bureau, with the official yellow paper permit just before midnight. Dr. Ewing got out on foot to sign it.

The undertaker had arrived meanwhile, and at 12:30 this morning the coffin was carried out of the office and placed in the hearse which was in waiting, and an hour later the body arrived at the house in Clinton avenue.

The members of the family accompanied the hearse in carriages. It was feared that further delay would result in the body being placed in the hearse before the body could be removed. The police finally waited this right when the permit, signed by Dr. Ewing, was brought.

Mr. Pratt was born at Watertown, Mass., Oct. 5, 1826. His father was a poor cabinet-maker. Charles was one of ten children, and he began to earn his own living at the age of ten by working on a farm.

When seventeen years old he went to Boston and began to learn the craft of a cabinet-maker. He was always successful, and possessed moderate fortune when he came to Brooklyn in 1857, and started in the refining business there as junior member of the firm of Devos, Reynolds & Pratt.

Two long afterwards he went into business for himself, and established the Astral Oil Works in Williamsburg, where he accumulated a large fortune, which was afterwards bequeathed to the present proportions through his association with the Standard Oil Trust.

For many years Mr. Pratt has been deeply interested in educational matters, and has given large sums of money to the Pratt Institute for Technical Instruction, which he founded, and to the Adelphi Academy, of which he has been President of the Board of Trustees since its organization. He has also contributed generously to benevolent and charitable enterprises of all kinds, and his gifts are said to have exceeded \$2,000,000.

Mr. Pratt's wealth is estimated at \$20,000,000. His home is one of the grand residences in Brooklyn and he kept extensive stables and a large number of horses. He was married to Miss Sarah Pratt, a daughter of John A. Pratt, and they had three children, six sons and two daughters. The sons are Charles M., F. B., George, Herbert, John and Henry, and the daughters Mrs. M. M. Abbott and Miss Helen.

MEN'S BLUE SUITS.

200 MEN'S BLUE FLANNEL SUITS, guaranteed Pure Indigo, go at \$5.55

THIS SALE IS FOR THIS WEEK ONLY.

MANN BROTHERS,

GRAND AND ORCHARD STS.

HUPE NOW HELD FOR MURDER. LADIES ARE AFTER BEATTIE.

Sympathy Expressed for Him by His Former Neighbors.

Alexander Hupe, the electrician, who Saturday night shot his landlord Frank Kretschmer, of 222 East Fifty-seventh street, was this morning again arraigned in the Harlem Court and remanded for the coroner, Kretschmer having died of his wound yesterday afternoon, as told in THE EVENING WORLD'S SPORTING PAGE.

While the shooting of Kretschmer was apparently a cold-blooded deed, some sympathy is expressed for Hupe on account of the circumstances which led up to the murder.

Hupe was employed by Kretschmer as an electrician. He is an electrician of some ability. His rented apartments from Kretschmer, at 1575 Avenue A, where he lived with his wife and children.

The electrician had a good reputation in the neighborhood. At the grocery store door he was particularly well spoken of. His work took him away from home frequently, and the bills which accumulated during his absence were always promptly paid upon his return. It was said that he often paid his rent for a couple of months in advance.

As showing the honesty of the family the grocer says that Mrs. Hupe had often reminded him of supplies furnished with which she had not been charged.

Kretschmer had the reputation of being a hard landlord. It is said that he threatened severe measures with his tenants upon slight provocation and never showed any leniency if his rent was not paid promptly.

Hupe had been engaged upon some work in Boston, from where he returned Saturday afternoon after a few weeks' absence. When he arrived at his home he was informed by his neighbors that his family had been turned out in a pouring rainstorm. April 22 (Landlord Kretschmer for non-payment of rent and had moved to Brooklyn.

Hupe was indignant, and, armed with a revolver, he went to Kretschmer's home, 222 East Fifty-seventh street. He met Kretschmer's brother-in-law coming down the steps, and inquiring whether Kretschmer lived there, he followed the brother-in-law as far as the second floor.

The door was opened, and Hupe saw Kretschmer sitting at the rear window of his dining-room. When asked why he had put Hupe's family out into the street, Kretschmer replied:

"I didn't put your family out. I only put your things outside, and if you don't like it you can go to law about it."

"I'll take the law into my own hands," said Hupe, and he opened the door upon Kretschmer. Mrs. Kretschmer ran in from the dining-room at the sound of the shooting and started the pistol down. One shot had entered Kretschmer's right side, and he fell back on the floor, his hands to his head, and the range of the pistol was deflected by Mrs. Kretschmer's action, so that the third bullet ploughed on a wall, not table and struck the wall.

The bullet was yesterday removed from Kretschmer's chest, but he was unable to recover from the shock to his system.

NEW GRANT MONUMENT FUND.

Cornelius Vanderbilt Heads a New Subscription with \$10,000.

Another fund for the Grant monument is under way. It is announced to-day that Cornelius Vanderbilt has headed a subscription paper with \$10,000, contingent upon the other signatures for like amounts being obtained, and that four of the requisite nine names have already been appended.

It was stated at the annual meeting of the Grant Monument Association yesterday afternoon that the fund for the monument, exclusive of the fund already mentioned is \$148,701.40.

The fund is being raised by the Building Committee for the excavation and laying the concrete foundation for the monument. The fund is being raised by the Building Committee for the excavation and laying the concrete foundation for the monument.

HE IS CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Patrick Mitchell's Wife Dies from His Blow with a Bottle.

Patrick Mitchell, a laborer living at 165 East Ninety-ninth street, was arrested this morning charged with having caused the death of his wife, Maggie.

Mitchell and his wife quarrelled at their home March 24. Mitchell struck her a terrific blow on the head with a bottle, knocking her down. Neighbors rushed in and prevented him from beating her further.

She was removed to the Presbyterian Hospital, where the doctors thought she was getting along nicely until suddenly there was a change for the worse and she died early this morning.

Schultz and remanded without bail.

TWO HORSES BURNED.

A Jersey City Fat Rendering Establishment Destroyed.

Dietrich Mahlenbrock's fat rendering establishment and stable at Nos. 37 and 39 Giles avenue, Jersey City Heights, were destroyed by fire at 3:15 o'clock this morning.

Richard Gebis was severely burned on the face and head while reasoning about the loss of his property.

Two horses, worth \$400, and several trucks were burned. The loss is about \$10,000.

The cause of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed to have been of incendiary origin for the purpose of removing a witness who was considered a nuisance in that locality.

Free Concert in Mt. Morris Park.

There will be a concert at Mount Morris Park this evening by Eber's seventy-first Regiment Band. Begins at 8 o'clock.

MORRIS' TENDERING CORPSE. Tells the infant late a beautiful child. Price 25 cents a bottle.

DIED

After a Painful and Lingering Illness

of about FORTY-FIVE DAYS,

THE DRUG AND MEDICINE COMBINE.

Cause of decease

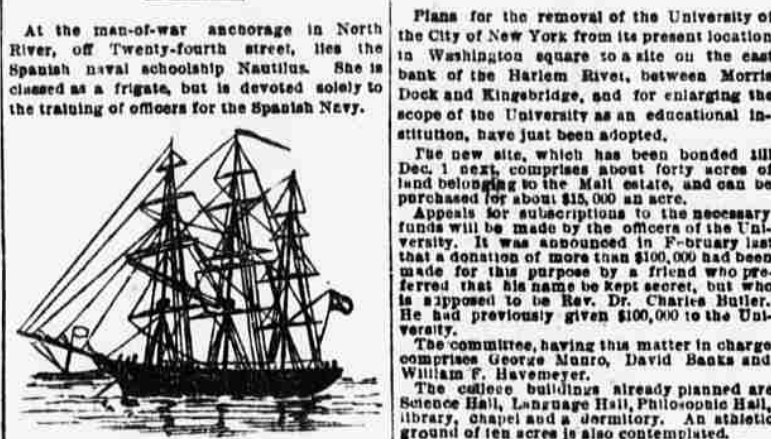
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RIKER.

"Requiescat in pace."

NAUTILUS IN NORTH RIVER.

The Spanish Frigate Anchored for a Month's Stay in New York Waters.



At the man-of-war anchorage in North River, off Twenty-fourth street, lies the Spanish naval schoolship Nautilus. She is classed as a frigate, but is devoted solely to the training of officers for the Spanish Navy.

The Nautilus is a full rigged ship of 1,640 tons displacement, carrying four guns. On board are 88 midshipmen, 70 boys and 100 sailors. Her commander is Capt. Victor Manuel. The other officers are sailing-master Eduardo Naves de Haro, First Lieut. Miguel Miquel, and others.

It is from the operation of the fourth section of the pledge that the greatest benefit is expected to follow.

By its provisions the society is organized into a giant detective bureau, the sole duty of the members of which is to be watchful of the general condition of the streets, to note all negligence or carelessness on the part of householders or city employees, and to report all violations of the general or health ordinances to the society, which will see that the proper remedy is applied.

It is hoped in this way to secure at least one inspector on every block in the city who will report to the society all violations of the ordinance.

This Society was organized yesterday, and will receive the co-operation of the Women's Health Protective Association, the Y. M. C. A., the Charities' Organization Society and the Society for the Improvement of the Condition of the Poor.

MYSTERIOUSLY VANISHED.

A Leonard Street Business Man Has Not Been Seen Since April 21.

Manager Edwin G. Kosterhauer, of the National Print Works at No. 51 Leonard street, whose home is at Bloomfield, N. J., has been mysteriously missing since April 21. He left his wife and two children at day, after bidding them good-by, to come to his business in this city. When he left his office he was seen by a neighbor, who saw him enter a cab and drive away.

He never returned to Bloomfield, and all trace of him has been lost. His wife thinks that he may have become suddenly deranged, or that he may have overcome with an attack of sickness, as he was subject to such attacks.

His lawyer, W. H. Page, has informed the police of his disappearance, and a general search is being made for him. He is described as a thirty-five years old, 5 feet 10 inches tall, with black hair, a black mustache and small black eyes. He weighed about 140 pounds. He was a well-known man in the neighborhood.

He was last seen by a neighbor, who saw him enter a cab and drive away.

BROOKLYN'S MERRY BOWLERS.

The Eastern District Merchants' Club Will Dance To-Night.

The Merchants' Bowling Club, of the Eastern District of Brooklyn, gave their annual ball at Arion Hall, Feb. 24. It was the largest and most select ball at that hall this season.

Every one had such a delightful time that their friends have since continually asked them to give a dancing ball. Accordingly they have given an invitation to their friends only this evening at the Arion Hall.

The ladies will be presented with elegant calico soufiers, and all are expected to enjoy the evening.

The President of the Club is Dr. Levy, of the Board of Health of Brooklyn.

Stabbed His Bone in the Back.

In Yorkville Court today John McGinnis was held in \$1,000 for trial on the charge of stabbing a man in the back.

The victim, James J. Kelly, a restaurant keeper at Twenty-second street and Third avenue, in the back during a fight last night.

Juvenile Thieves Taken Care of.

The Children's Society was today awarded the custody of Yorkville Court of Joseph Mauch, eleven years old, and Matthew Kenney, nine, who were caught stealing lead from an unoccupied house, 251 West Fifty-fourth street.

The boys were charged with stealing a watch from another boy.

Roscoe's Club Starts Booming.

The Tammany Club of the Tenth Assembly District temporarily organized by the new leader, State Senator George F. Roscoe, has begun its work.

The fund of more than \$2,000. A permanent organization of the Club will be elected next week.

Fell to Death in an Air Shaft.

Eleven-year-old George Deane, of No. 334 East Seventy-first street, this morning fell down an air shaft from the roof to the first floor, at 1823 Avenue A, and was killed.

Bloomingdale's

HOME FURNITURE.

Prices that Tell.

Bedsteads—Oak and Walnut, were \$6 to \$20, at \$3.50 to \$10.00.

Mattresses—Best Hair, full weight, at \$17.50.

Fibre, hair top, all sizes, \$4.99.

Full size, soft top Mattresses, at \$2.41.

Parlor Suits—Special Sale of Tapestry and Brocade Parlor Suits at \$38.00 to \$75.00.

All Furniture delivered FREE at any Railroad or Steamboat Landing within 100 miles.

Bloomingdale Bros., 3d Ave., Cor. 59th St.

SHATTERED BY DYNAMITE.

Two Belgian Towns Shaken—Laid to the Labor Party.

Two Belgian towns, which were laid to the Labor Party, were shaken by a dynamite explosion.

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A Plain Explanation.

Big Sale Bankrupt Stock

OF THE

MANUFACTURERS OF

Wraps & Jackets,

And recognized in the trade as one of the largest and most important manufacturing houses in America.

Their materials have always been the finest imported; their styles perfect; and most unusual care was given to every detail of the making and trimming.

Of their entire splendid stock we secured FIRST CHOICE, and naturally selected all that was especially desirable. We place them on sale, beginning Wednesday morning, on this basis:

Ladies' Imported Bedford Cord Blouses in cream, also in beautiful stripes, with plain or embroidered collar. If bought in the regular way would be excellent value for \$11.50; to be sold for \$5.95.

Blouses of fine French Flannel, in cream color; also beautiful stripes; real value at \$7.50, to be sold at 4.95.

Hip Seam or Louis XV. Jacket, in various pretty styles, worth \$8.95, \$11.95 and \$15.75, all to be sold at 6.95.

Ladies' French satin Blouses; very beautiful patterns, at only 59c.

Ladies' Waists of handsome plaid materials; all sizes; good value for \$2.00, special price 89c.

Ladies' Waists of French Sateen and crepe cloth in black and white and all other new stripes at 98c.

Ladies' Silk Waists, newest stripes; very pretty styles, good value for \$4.25, at 2.50.

Ladies' Imported Jerseys, elegantly braided, nicely finished, worth \$3.75 and \$4.50, to be sold at 1.95.

Misses' and Children's all-wool Reefers, with gold braid all around, sizes 4 to 12, worth 2.75, at 98c.

Also on Wednesday, 50 dozen Ladies' White Lawn Dressing Scaques, to be sold on Wednesday only at 49c.

Bloomingdale Bros., Third Ave., cor. 59th St.

TROY'S \$400,000 BLAZE.

Breaker Island Blast Furnace Burned—1,000 Men Out of Employment.

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